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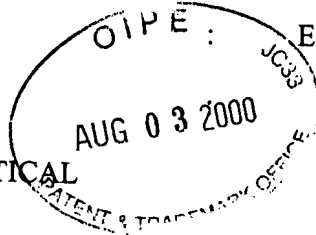
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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated March 3, 2000, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 9 without prejudice.

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1. (Once Amended Since Filing) A multi-beam optical scanner comprising:
 - a light source for providing a pair of light beams;
 - a first image-formation system for focusing the pair of light beams from the light source in a direction corresponding to auxiliary scanning and forming the pair of light beams into images as a plurality of line images each having a longer side in a direction corresponding to main scanning;